

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:
Hidetaka Osawa, *et al.*

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Examiner: Jyoti NAGPAUL

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For: **CONTROL DEVICE FOR AUTOMATIC
LIQUID HANDLING SYSTEM**

AMENDMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In response to the non-final **Office Action** mailed August 9, 2007 ("Office Action"), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 9.

Applicants believe that no extensions of time are required at this time. However, if extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required therefore to properly maintain this application as pending (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 23-1951. Further, please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 23-1951.